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## SBC Gifts Continue Upward

NASHVILLE (BP)—Contributions to world missions through the Southern Baptist Convention continued an upward surge during April, bringing total SBC world missions gifts for 1966 to the \$22.1 million mark.

During the first four months of the year, Southern Baptists gave \$7,757,220 to missions causes through the denomination's Cooperative Program unified budget plan, and an additional \$14,431,151 to designated missions causes, mostly foreign missions.

So far during 1966, missions gifts have exceeded contributions for the same period last year by \$1.9 million—an increase of 9.38 per cent.

Missions giving trends were reflected in the monthly financial report prepared by the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee here. It is the last such report prior to the annual meeting of the convention, May 24-27 in Detroit.

The \$7.4 million given to missions through the denomination's Cooperative Program budget during January through April is a \$386,357 increase over undersigned budget contributions for the same period during 1965. It is a percentage increase of 5.24%.

The \$14.4 million in designated gifts is an increase of \$1.5 million over designated contributions for the same period last year, and an 11.74 per cent increase.

For the month of April alone, budget contributions reached \$1,953,503, and designated gifts were \$1,969,219; bringing total missions gifts for the month to \$3,922,723.

## Meffords Accept Montana Post

Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Mefford, Baptist general missionaries to the Choctaw Indians in Mississippi since 1960, have resigned effective June 1, according to Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer.

The Meffords have accepted a similar work with Northern Cheyenne Indians in Montana to begin on that date.

The Cheyenne Reservation has a population of 3000 with 51% of them under 19 years of age, Mr. Mefford said.

Mr. Mefford is a native of Colorado and is a graduate of Ouachita Baptist University in Arkansas and the New Orleans Baptist Seminary.

Mrs. Mefford is a native of Arkansas. They have two children, Mickie and Danny. They can be addressed at P. O. Box 114, Lame Deer, Montana.

Mr. Mefford previously served in Mississippi as pastor. (Continued On Page 2)

## State Receipts Show 6% Gain

Mississippi Baptist Cooperative Program receipts for the first six months of this convention year totaled \$1,483,540.67, according to Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer.

This is an increase of \$84,358.02 or 6 percent over the \$1,399,182.65 given the same period a year ago.

Receipts for April totaled \$246,650.38, a gain of \$49,788.84 or 25.3 percent over the \$196,861.54 contributed in April of last year.

The Cooperative Program is the principal channel of mission giving of the denomination and accounts for about two-thirds of the total mission contributions.

## "TALE OF TWO CITIES"

WHAT THOROUGH STUDY REVEALS

ACTUAL TEST CASES SHOW THAT DRY COMMUNITIES ARE SAFER TO LIVE IN, ARE BETTER PLACES TO REAR CHILDREN, HAVE FEWER FIGHTS AND DISTURBANCES, HAVE LESS JUVENILE DELINQUENCY, TO SAY NOTHING ABOUT THE MANY RELATED BENEFITS WHICH COME FROM CLEAR THINKING



## Tragic Day

AN EDITORIAL

Tragic will be the day when, and if, liquor begins to be sold openly in more Mississippi communities.

It is sold openly now in only a few places in the state, but if the prohibition laws are repealed, and legalization comes, liquor stores and open sales may come to more communities.

It long has been an established fact that the community without legalized liquor is a better community in which to live and work.

Legalized liquor will not make a single county in the state a better place. Areas can only deteriorate under its power and influence.

The Baptist Record is against the legalization of liquor by any means, whether it be by court edict, legislative act, or vote of the people.

However, if legalization is to come, it should be only by the vote of the people in a state-wide referendum, and then only after the people, before they vote, have been fully informed of exactly what legalized liquor will mean to the state.

Our position is not based upon a "Pollyanna" attitude, which believes the present situation is perfectly satisfactory, for we fully recognize that is not true. However, repeal and legalization is not the solution, and will not bring the bright new day so glowingly

described by their advocates. The only solution we see is the repeal of the tax on illegal liquor, and the strengthening of the prohibition enforcement laws.

We take this position for two reasons. The first is the moral and religious reason, based upon the teaching of the Bible. This often has been discussed in these columns so we will not enlarge upon it now.

Our second reason for opposing legalization is based upon what such a step will do to Mississippi. How can one look at what legalized liquor does and still favor it?

Just what will legalized liquor do to Mississippi? It will do what it has done to other states and communities. There is no reason to believe that the results will be different here.

I. Legalization Will Mean Increased Consumption Of Liquor.

This has been true everywhere that liquor has been legalized. Ask Oklahoma or Knoxville, Tenn., or simply look at the vast increase of consumption of liquor in the United States since the repeal of the prohibition laws.

Mississippi now has the lowest consumption of "alcoholic spirits" in the nation. Comparing the Mississippi Tax Commission's consumption figures prepared for the state legislature, with the

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## Kentucky Education Aid Upped

BAGDAD, Ky. (BP)—The Executive Board of the Kentucky Baptist Convention voted here to increase convention support of Christian education by \$300,000 per year, leaving the door open for Baptist schools in Kentucky to seek federal loans.

The board did not consider a motion concerning federal grants to Baptist institutions, and technically did not give approval for federal loans.

Debate and discussion, however, lasted for nearly six hours, most of it centering on the church-state separation issue involved in use of federal aid by Baptist institutions.

The board finally voted to allow the six Baptist schools in Kentucky to borrow up to \$3½ million to finance capital needs, putting no restriction on how the loans should be financed.

Vote on the motion, a substitute for an earlier proposal that the loans come from private lending agencies, was 58 to 17 with 9 abstentions.

Harold Sanders, executive secretary of the convention, called the action "a definite shift in thinking towards the advisability of government loans as over against federal grants."

Although the board did not specify where the schools should seek the loans, Sanders said some would probably seek federally-financed loans at about three per cent interest while other schools would seek privately-financed loans.

Sanders said that although there was some discussion and disagreement about whether the lower government interest rates on federal loans constituted a subsidy, most of the debate centered on the age-old question of whether the Baptist institutions should obtain any financial aid at all from the government. (Continued on page 2)

## Lottie Moon Offering Totals \$13,194,357.32

Books on the 1965 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering closed May 1 with a total of \$13,194,357.32. This is \$1,323,707.97 more than the 1964 total of \$11,870,649.35. Any additional Lottie Moon funds received by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board will be counted on the 1966 offering.

Dr. Sullivan said that the first Board met without even knowing what authority it had and without any assets. Waiting for them was a letter, a request from Texas for \$1,000.

## Former Students Start 'Dedicated' Choctaws' Group

"The Dedicated Choctaws," a small group of former Mississippi College students, has been formed for the purpose of increasing the endowment funds for the school's science division.

Dr. Albert L. Gore, Jackson physician, chairman of the group, said the project is being. (Continued On Page 2)

## Baptist Active In Berlin Meet

BERLIN (BP)—More than 1,000 persons from 92 countries, including several dozen Southern Baptists, have been invited to participate in a World Congress on Evangelism in Berlin this fall.

The Congress is being sponsored by Christianity Today, non-denominational magazine as a tenth anniversary event.

Evangelist Billy Graham is honorary chairman for the meeting, and Carl F. H. Henry, Editor of Christianity Today, is chairman. Both are Baptists.

Six Southern Baptists have been listed as program participants. Numerous others will go as delegates or observers, including many of the state Baptist evangelism secretaries.

Dr. L. Gordon Sansing, Jackson, Mississippi evangelism secretary, plans to attend.

Southern Baptist program participants include C. E. Autrey of Atlanta, director of the evangelism division for the SBC Home Mission Board; Wayne Dehoney, president of the convention and pastor from Jackson, Tenn.; Duke K. McCall, president, and Kenneth L. Chafin, evangelism professor, both of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; David E. Mason, of the Laubach Literary Foundation, Syracuse, N. Y.; and Clyde W. Taylor, executive secretary of the National Association of Evangelicals, Washington.

Several of these, and other Southern Baptists, are listed

among the 55 members of the sponsoring committee for the Congress.

Included on the sponsoring committee are Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the SBC Foreign Mission Board; Dehoney, McCall, and Taylor.

In addition to the Southern Baptists who will be program participants, delegates, and observers, seven Southern Baptists have been invited to help handle press coverage for the world-wide meeting.

Gil A. Stricklin, a Southern Baptist, is associate director of information for the World Congress, and a Billy Graham team member.

Other Southern Baptist press personnel include Floyd A. Craig, communications director for Oklahoma Baptists who will handle photographic coverage; and pressroom news writer John Earl Seelig. (Continued On Page 2)

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## 'Baptist Blitz' Urged For British Union

By Theo Sommerkamp

From the opening through the closing of its five-day 1966 session in London (April 25-29), it was evident the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland is seeking to remedy its greatest heartache—the decline in membership of its churches for a number of years.

The layman president of the union, retired justice Sir Donald L. Finmore of Birmingham, advocated in his presidential address the first day what he hopes will be a new, aggressive program of reaching people for Christ.

"This is a critical year," he told the 2,500 people present. "We must stop the decline that is taking place. Our churches are not rest homes or ivory towers. They are barracks for soldiers."

He revived a word Britishers still remember from World War II to describe the type of forward movement he meant. "I don't ask for a Baptist advance today. What I ask for is a Baptist blitz."

In his presidential address and in addresses that followed, ways were suggested to carry on such a blitz, and the obstacles to be overcome were described. After this, in remarks closing the 1966 assembly, Mr. Finmore added: "We will go back to our cities and towns to do better than we've ever done before."

The way to combat the decline and record gains instead will be given further study in November when the union's council will devote several hours to the discussion of it.

Latest available statistics, presented at the assembly, show Baptist churches in Britain have 295,000 members. "The totals show a decrease since the previous year's returns of 6,250 members," the statistics revealed.

Of the decline in membership, the 2,102 churches in England account for a loss of 3,560; the 946 churches in Wales account for a loss of 2,540, and the 159 churches in Scotland account for the remaining 270. The 76 churches in Northern Ireland and Eire record an increase of 140, the report continued.

Moral issues in British life must be confronted, according to Mr. Finmore. He cited these "immediate problems"—(1) excessive drinking (Continued On Page 2)

## Moyers To Get Award At SBS

FORT WORTH (BP)—Bill D. Moyers, special assistant to President Lyndon B. Johnson, will receive the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission's second Distinguished Communications Medal when the Southern Baptist Convention meets in Detroit, May 25.

The award, given to individuals who have made "an obvious and lasting contribution to the world in the field of communications," will be presented to Moyers by Paul M. Stevens, commission director, during the convention's Wednesday morning session, May 25.

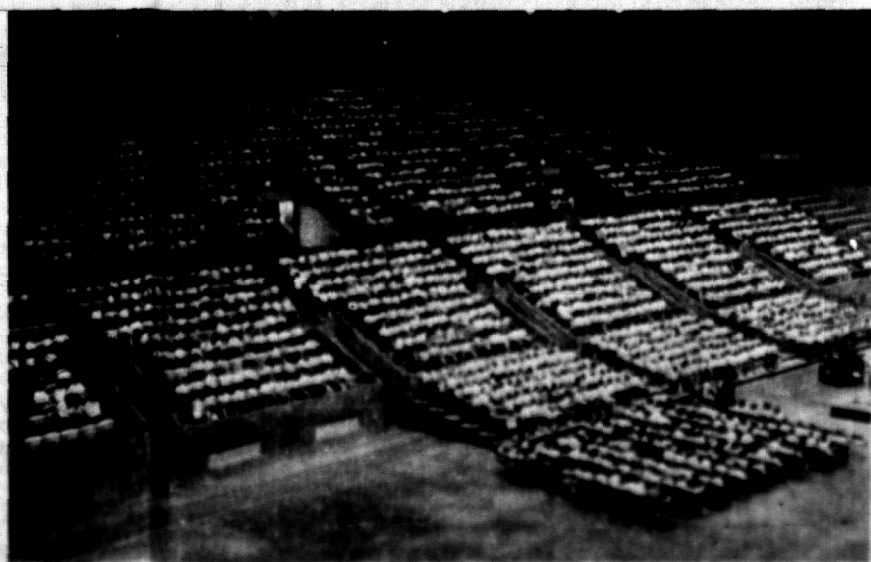
The 32-year-old White House Press secretary will address the convention following the (Continued On Page 2)

## Missionaries In Burma Are Ordered Out

WASHINGTON, D.C. (RNS)—The State Department said Gen. Ne Win's order directing missionaries to leave Burma by May 31 affects about 300 missionaries, 34 of them from the United States.

In addition to the American missionaries, there are approximately 75 dependents who will have to leave, some as early as April 30.

Editor's Note: While there are missionaries representing other Baptist groups in Burma, there are no Southern Baptist missionaries there.



TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED Baptist boys and girls, coming from every section of the state, were present for the annual State Junior Choral Festival held last Saturday in the Mississippi Coliseum under sponsorship of the Church Music Department, Dan C. Hall, secretary. Most of these present are seen in photo.





REV. AND MRS. R. L. MEFFORD, general missionaries to the Choctaw Indians in Mississippi, have accepted a similar position in Montana.

## Meffords Accepts Montana Post

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of Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Pike County; Bethel Baptist Church in Amite County and superintendent of missions for Mississippi Baptist Association (Amite and Wilkinson counties).

Mr. and Mrs. Mefford have served as missionaries to the Indians in Mississippi under joint sponsorship of the Mis-

issippi Baptist Convention Board and the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board of Atlanta.

In their new work they will serve under the joint sponsorship of the Home Mission Board, the Montana Southern Baptist Fellowship and the Colorado Baptist General Convention with which the Montana Fellowship is affiliated.

## Baptists Active

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of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Jim Newton of Baptist Press in Nashville, Frank Whitsitt, a Baptist deacon and managing editor of a chain of weekly newspapers in Kansas, and Theo Sommerkamp, director of European Baptist Press Service, Ruschlikon, Switzerland.

Theme for the Congress will be "One Race, One Gospel, One Task." Conference leaders say the roll call of delegates will sound like the roll call at the United Nations.

Sessions are slated Oct. 26-Nov. 4, 1966, at the Kongresshalle in West Berlin. Delegates from all 92 countries are expected to attend.

"This will definitely be a world Congress," said Congress Chairman Henry of Christianity Today. The Congress will not seek to endorse "the American way of evangelism," but rather will explore every legitimate means for proclaiming the gospel in our generation, Henry said.

More than 200 people will

participate in the ten-day program. In addition to 20 major addresses and papers, there will be more than 150 panel discussion papers and reports.

All of the addresses of the congress will be translated into four languages—English, German, French, and Spanish. Each session will have simultaneous translation into these four languages.

Henry said the Congress has a seven-fold purpose: (1) to define and clarify biblical evangelism for our day, (2) to establish beyond any doubt its relevance to the modern world, (3) to underline its urgency in the present situation, (4) to explore new forms of witness now in use throughout the world and new ways of reaching contemporary man, (5) to deal frankly with problems of resistance to the gospel, (6) to challenge the church to renew its own life through an intensified proclamation of the historic faith, and (7) to show the world in a fresh and dramatic way that God is in truth Lord of all, and that he saves men through his Son.

## Graham Crusade Schedule Set

ATLANTA, Ga. (Special)—The 1967-68 crusade schedule for Evangelist Billy Graham will include visits to Puerto Rico, Canada, Japan, Australia, New Zealand and several large cities in the United States.

The plans for 1967, announced here by Director of Crusades, Walter Smyth, call for an eight-day campaign in San Juan, Puerto Rico, in February; a ten-day meeting in Kansas City, Missouri, in late August; and a ten-day crusade in Tokyo in October, with visits to other Japanese cities.

In late May and June the Graham Team has been invited to hold full-scale crusades of eight and ten days each in Winnipeg and Ottawa in conjunction with the centennial observances of the founding of the Dominion. There will probably be one or two-day visits to certain other major cities in Canada.

Sites of significant past crusades will be revisited in 1968. The Team has accepted a repeat invitation from Australia and New Zealand, where a four-month crusade was held in 1960, and large-scale meetings are under consideration in Sydney, Melbourne and Auckland.

A representative group of ministers and laymen in New York City has invited the Team to conduct a crusade in the summer of 1968 in the new Madison Square Garden being built over Pennsylvania Station, Dr. Smyth stated. In 1967 Mr. Graham spoke to over two million persons during a 16-week crusade in the old Madison Square Garden.

In addition, a ten-day crusade has been slated for Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in October 1968.

In a survey made by the Labor Department, it was found that 3.7 million people in the U. S. held more than one job about the same number as ten years earlier, and that multiple jobholders made up 5.2 percent of all workers.



Bill D. Moyers

## Moyers To Get Award At SBS

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presentation by the Radio-Television Commission.

An ordained Baptist minister, Moyers is one of the youngest men in the country to receive a presidential appointment with Senate approval.

Moyers was deputy director of the Peace Corps before Johnson became President, and was earlier executive assistant to Johnson while he was vice president and a Senator.

As an integral part of the award from the SBS Radio-television Commission, a Bill D. Moyers Communications Scholarship will be established to aid some young person planning a career in some phase of radio or television.

The first such Distinguished Communications Medal was awarded in 1964 to Robert W. Sarnoff, chairman of the board of the National Broadcasting Co.

## SS BOARD TO MARK 75TH ANNIVERSARY

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were \$4,000 in 1892 after a year of operation. At the end of 1965, the total was \$40 million. In Nashville alone the Board has buildings covering three blocks. In addition, the Board owns and operates 49 book stores throughout the United States.

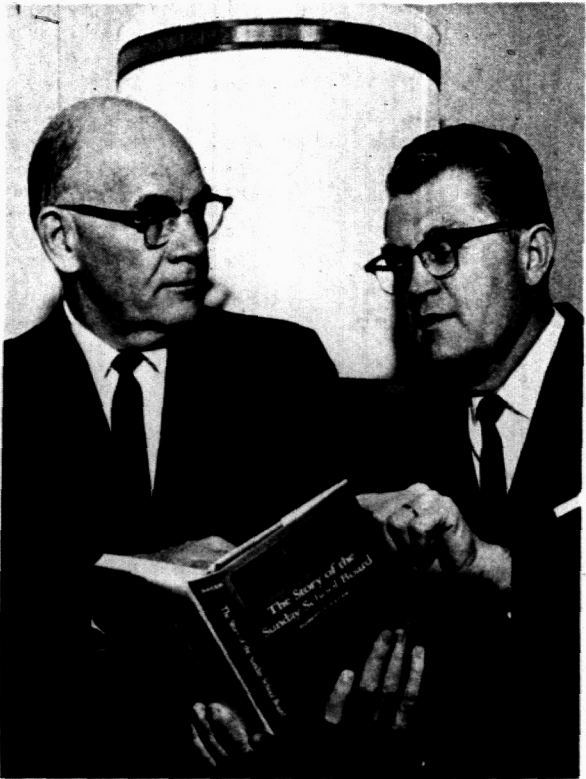
The staff has increased from Dr. Frost alone to 1,310 regular employees, plus several hundred temporary workers at various times of the year.

Southern Baptists had 8,700 Sunday schools with less than 500,000 enrolment in 1891.

In 1965 the figures were 32,963 Sunday schools with an enrolment of 7,761,165.

Last year alone more than 100 million copies of Board periodicals were distributed, along with 900,000 books. Sales in the first year, 1891, were \$19,574.83 — last year they were over \$30 million.

Plans for the anniversary day program call for special recognition of retirees. Other activities include the presentation of an anniversary plaque to Dr. Sullivan by Ed Shea, executive director of the Nashville Chamber of Commerce.



NASHVILLE—DR. JAMES L. SULLIVAN, executive secretary-treasurer of the Sunday School Board, and Dr. John H. Parrott, pastor, First Baptist Church, Roswell, N.M., and Board president, examine a copy of "The Story of the Sunday School Board" by Robert A. Baker. The book commemorates the 75th anniversary of the Board's ministry. The release by Convention Press in May signifies the actual time of year of the founding of the Board by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1891.—BSSB Photo.

## SPECIAL HANDBOOK EDITION GIVES 1965 SBC STATISTICS

NASHVILLE — The 1966 Southern Baptist Handbook, the July-September issue of "The Quarterly Review," presents statistical summaries of Baptist work in 1965.

With charts and graphs, this issue compares the accomplishments of 1965 with those of previous years.

Additional information is included in "The Quarterly Review" about life in the United States — births, deaths, marriages, income. There is a directory of state Baptist offices and a list of denominational and interdenominational committees.

"The Quarterly Review" is a publication of the Sunday School Board's research and statistics department. It may be ordered with other literature for third quarter from: Church Literature Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, 127 Ninth Ave., N., Nashville, Tenn. 37203.

## Former Students . . . Kentucky . . .

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ing undertaken following the recent announcement that the college would get its big new science building by January of 1968 consolidating all science functions under one roof.

The proposal, started by Jackson physicians, druggists, dentists, scientists and others, is being made to conform to recommendations made to the Mississippi Baptist Convention in November 1965 by the Mississippi Baptist Foundation and the Convention's Education Commission.

Both of the agencies of the Convention pointed to the gross inadequacy of the college's present endowment funds.

Mississippi College is noted for the high achievement of its former science students for their contribution to mankind in many fields, including chemistry, medicine, education and others.

It is the desire of this alumni group now that the college will be able to continue to maintain its prominence in this division and will be able to meet the increased costs of expensive equipment for classroom and research.

Already Discussed  
Another objective is that it will be able to offer salaries that will attract and retain the caliber of staff necessary to meet the challenges now and in the future.

This alumni group has already held meetings and discussed the proposal with Convention Board and Mississippi College officials. Those interested in this undertaking should direct their inquiries to "The Dedicated Choctaws," P. O. Box 10661, Jackson, Mississippi.

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ernment.  
The debate was prompted by a motion from the convention's Christian education committee which recommended that Kentucky Baptists provide an additional \$300,000 per year to Christian education, and that the convention to borrow up to \$3½ million from private sources to be repaid by the \$300 allocation each year.

Presenting the motion was Harold Wainwright, pastor of the Third Baptist church in Owensboro, Ky., and chairman of the Christian Education Committee.

Franklin Owen, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church of Lexington, Ky., offered a substitute motion, which eventually was adopted, permitting the schools to seek their own financing for the loans.

In effect, the motion will not change any currently-existing policies of the convention. Sanders said that Georgetown College (Baptist) in Georgetown, Ky., had for many years financed building construction with federal loans.

The action of the board, if approved by a special session of the Kentucky Baptist Convention called Monday afternoon, June 27, would make about \$300,000 available each year to the six Baptist schools in the state through the convention's Cooperative Program budget.

Women are working more out of necessity, less to get ahead in careers. Added income is sought to help educate children, buy a house, buy a car, or help build tomorrow.

## Medical Missionaries Try New Ministries

Southern Baptist medical missionaries, having rooted down with a period of hospital building in the past two decades, are now experimenting with new ways to reach out and minister to the sick beyond the hospitals. Dr. Franklin T. Fowler, medical consultant for the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, told the Board during its spring meeting, April 11-13.

The Foreign Mission Board has 20 hospitals overseas—all but one of them established since World War II. In 1965, 42,690 inpatients and 462,278 outpatients were treated in these hospitals and in mission clinics.

In addition to ministering in the hospitals, medical missionaries are going out to provide care where the needs originate, Dr. Fowler reported.

Increased interest in ambulatory work was among several trends he cited. "Basically, this means taking aid to areas devoid of medical facilities instead of waiting for the sick to come to an established hospital or clinic," he explained. "Three of our missionary doctors give full time to this kind of practice and others combine it with hospital duties."

"However, the base hospital will always be needed to give long-range care for the more seriously ill and injured."

Other medical missionaries have branched out with preventive medicine, Dr. Fowler said. The Baptist Health Service in Nigeria, developed by Dr. Robert F. Goldie (of Averill Park, N. Y.), Dr. Karl J. Myers, Jr. (of Philippi, W. Va.), and others, is the outstanding example of this ministry. Headquartered at Ogbomoso, the Health Service sends teams out over a wide area to hold clinics in village churches. They provide inoculations, infant care, and general health education, and identify and give medication for tuberculosis and leprosy.

Missionary Frances Crawford (of Farmington, Mo.), registered nurse and trained midwife, is pioneering another type of health assistance, midwifery aid for rural people. Miss Crawford (who formerly served in Colombia, Gaza, and Nigeria) recently

went to Honduras, where she will open a clinic in a village that now has scant access to medical attention.

"Though her ministry will not demand a large outlay of money, much good can be done and a wonderful opportunity for witnessing can be had in a most isolated area of that needy country," said Dr. Fowler, who visited Honduras in January to help plan the project.

Greater specialization and more advanced training for missionary doctors, nurses, and other medical personnel is another trend in medical missions, Dr. Fowler said. This is due partly to the personal desire of the missionaries to do the best work possible and partly to the demands of the health authorities in the countries where they work.

"Government authorities, who do not necessarily understand the spiritual motivation of missionary service, can see

no real justification for just another doctor coming to their country to practice," Dr. Fowler commented.

Another trend in medical missions is the development of more and more of a team approach, as increasing numbers of hospital administrators, laboratory technologists, pharmacists, dietitians, and other medical personnel supplement the work of missionary doctors and nurses.

"The most recently added team member is the missionary with professional chaplain training," Dr. Fowler said. "The hospital chaplain's evangelistic work is greatly needed. Often, because of other pressing demands, the physician or nurse simply does not have time for much personal evangelism. The chaplain has unlimited opportunities as he ministers and witnesses not only to the patients in the hospital, but also to their relatives and friends, staff members, and discharged patients who need to relate to a local church."

## Missionaries Named To Great Lakes

ATLANTA (BP) — Three new missionary appointees were assigned to the Great Lakes region by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, acting in its March board meeting here.

Loren B. Ames, currently pastor of the Peach Plains Baptist Church in Grand Haven, Mich., was approved as pastoral missionary of the Oakview Baptist Chapel in Grand Rapids, Mich. He will serve as pastor of the chapel and, in addition, will be responsible for developing new churches and missions in the area.

James W. Brown, pastor of the Farmdale Baptist Church in Louisville, will assume responsibility April 1 as superintendent of missions for the Central Michigan Association in the Detroit area.

Another Great Lakes state appointee is Glen W. Ray, pastor of the Mount Calvary Baptist Church in Cleveland, Ohio. On April 1, Ray will take over as superintendent of missions for the Capital City Association in Columbus, Ohio.

## Baptist Blitz . . .

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of alcoholic beverages which in turn increases crimes, (2) gambling which has become legal in Great Britain and is a lure to young people, (3) drug peddling and addiction, and (4) "the new morality which is often only a camouflage for the old immorality."

Will participation in the ecumenical movement help the blitz? There is debate among British Baptists. A resolution, sponsored by the denomination's leadership, called for participation in a special ecumenical mission study project at local level during the year ahead.

But it lost by about a 3 to 2 margin, after an opponent, the Rev. Stanley Voke of Walton on Thames, declared: "We are being asked to recommend to the churches . . . an ecumenical effort . . . that very few of us know about."

"There are divergencies of opinion among us." No one came to the defense of the resolution after many in the audience applauded Mr. Voke's remarks. The balloting, by show of hands, followed.

The man on whom the success of a blitz will depend in large measure is a 40-year-old Scotsman, David Syme Russell, who will assume the post of general secretary of the union in the spring or summer of 1967. Elected at this year's assembly, the first Scotsman to fill the union's top administrative post, Dr. Russell is co-principal of Northern College, a Baptist school at Manchester.

He will succeed Dr. Ernest A. Payne of London, who is age 65, and who has spent 16 years as general secretary. Dr. Payne had already announced his coming retirement before he suffered a heart attack which hospitalized him and prevented his helping lead the 1966 assembly.

Taoist, Buddhist as well as Christian refugees in Saigon and other already overcrowded municipalities are in urgent need of Christian Scriptures, reports the American Bible Society.



DORIS MATHIS (left) of Indianola and Jimmie Burrell of Belton are shown discussing their summer plans with W. C. Marsalis, public relations director at Mississippi Delta Junior College. Doris will serve as a summer missionary to Arizona, and Jimmie will be in California doing summer mission work. Both are active in the BSU at Mississippi Delta, and Jimmie was a member of the State BSU Council last year.

## Assembly Press Representatives Are Selected

NASHVILLE — Miss Sue Hancock of Lubbock, Tex., and James Maxwell, Jr. of Thomson, Ga., will serve as press representatives at the two Southern Baptist summer assemblies for the 1966 season.

Miss Hancock, a sophomore at Baylor University, Waco, Tex., will return to Glorieta (N. M.) Baptist Assembly, where she was press representative last summer. An English and journalism major, Miss Hancock has served on the staff of the Baylor year book and newspaper.

Maxwell, a 1964 staffer at Ridgecrest (N.C.) Baptist Assembly, will be press representative there. In June, he will receive a bachelor of arts degree in journalism from University of Georgia, Athens, where he is presently enrolled in the graduate school. He holds membership in professional journalism, broadcasting and music fraternities.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL supplies have been sent to New York pioneer church by Senior High I Training Union Department (15-16) of First Church, Jackson, Miss. G. C. Stubblefield, department apostle, directed this project. Activity leaders of the four unions who carried out this project are, from left, Cyrus Johnson, Miss Evelyn Rodd, department director, Ray Gunn, II, Sandra Keith and Gordon Mender, Jr. Rev. Ken Lytle, pastor of Central Nazarene Baptist Church writes, "We have worked with make-shift situations for so long and now God is making it possible for us to have proper equipment."





Dr. L. R. Elliott  
**Librarian At Seminary Dies**

FORT WORTH (BP)—Leslie Robinson Elliott, librarian at Southwestern Theological Seminary for almost half a century, died May 2 in a local hospital. He would have been 80 years old on September 30.

Funeral services were conducted May 5 in Truett Auditorium on the seminary campus. Robert E. Naylor, seminary president, was in charge of the service.

He was assisted by Robert A. Baker, professor of church history at the seminary and Gene Thompson, associate pastor of Broadway Baptist Church in Fort Worth.

Elliott, a native of Rosetta, Ill., is a graduate of William Jewell College and received the master and doctor of theology degrees from Southwestern Seminary.

Elliott is survived by his wife, the former Mary Ethelyn Shearer, whom he married in 1911.

## REVIVAL RESULTS

**Ridgecrest Church, Jackson:** April 24 - May 1; Rev. Mike Gilchrist, evangelist; Jack Burnham (Colonial Heights, Jackson), song leader; Rev. Fred Tarpley, pastor; 42 for baptism and 7 by letter; over 100 rededications; Sunday school attendance was 955.

**Daniel Memorial Church, Jackson:** April 24 - May 1; Dr. James Eaves, Memphis, Tenn., evangelist; Dr. Jack Lyall, Mississippi College faculty, singer; Dr. Allen Webb, pastor; 37 additions, 26 for baptism, nine by letter; one surrendering for special service; six rededications.

**Calvary Church, West Point:** April 25-May 1; Rev. Bill Causey, Parkway, Jacksonville, Fla., evangelist; David Williams, minister of music, Calvary Church, West Point, music director; Rev. William A. Webb, pastor; 19 baptisms; five by letter; numerous rededications.



RUSCHLIKON GRADS—(l) left to right, Mr. Malone, Dr. Watts, Mr. Griesser, Mr. Belton, Mr. North, Mr. Suman, Mr. Husby, Mr. Bjornstad, Mr. Gwei.

## Ruschlikon Grads Represent Seven Different Countries

"We go into the world as preachers, as pastors, as servants," said the Rev. Gordon Lahrson of Geneva, representative in Europe of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Societies, in an address at graduation exercises of Baptist Theological Seminary in Ruschlikon, Switzerland, April 29.

"In this is our prophetic role declaring God's Word, which judges and redeems, and serving in his name," said Dr. Lahrson.

In the graduation service, Robert T. Belton of the USA was awarded the master of theology degree. Five received the bachelor of divinity degree.

The B. D. graduates were Enok J. Bjornstad of Norway, Solomon N. Gwei of Cameroon (cum laude), Gunnar Husby of Norway, Henry O. Malone Jr. of USA (magna cum laude) and John L. North of New Zealand (cum laude).

## Evacuation From Da Nang

By Lewis I. Myers, Jr.  
Missionary to Vietnam  
NOTE: Rev. & Mrs. Lewis I. Myers, Jr., Mississippians who are Southern Baptist missionaries in Da Nang, Vietnam, were evacuated to a nearby U. S. naval station on April 9 because of intense political agitation in Da Nang at that time. Mr. Myers and another missionary sent accounts of their experiences to Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board headquarters. His is given in full below.

When he wrote, on April 21, the missionaries were still at the military base, though they hoped any day to receive permission to return to their homes.

Appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1960, Mr. & Mrs. Myers began work in Da Nang last summer, when they returned to Vietnam after furlough in the States.

Mr. Myers, native of Skene, was pastor of First Baptist Church, Sumner, for 2 years prior to missionary appointment. Mrs. Myers, the former Toni Alexander, is a native of Boyle.

The city had been tense for several weeks. Anti-American slogans festooned the pagodas, dominated the demonstrations, and jammed the airwaves through the local radio station. However, our Vietnamese friends insisted this was the work of a small but persistent minority.

Security precautions were increased. All U. S. military men were confined to quarters. The situation was variously described as "potentially dangerous," "explosive," or "very tense."

In the midst of this turmoil, the Rondal Morrills (Rev. & Mrs. Rondal D. Merrell, Sr., Southern Baptist missionaries) moved to Da Nang. They were busy unpacking in their house on the opposite side of town from ours. For two days I went to assist them, riding my bicycle, which could negotiate the crude roadblocks in the streets.

On the third day I drove to the Morrills' house. Ron was coming back to town with me when we were abruptly stopped by the simultaneous call of a siren and the loud click of a rifle bolt pushing home a cartridge. A sergeant came out and said we could go on but should not return to that area. I hurriedly took Ron back to his house and then drove straight to mine.

At 4:30 in the morning our quiet house echoed with pounding on the door. I bounced out of bed, rushed into the living room, and in my bravest voice, said, "Who is there?" I was flooded with relief when the answer came in English, "Mr. Myers?"

"Yes?" I said, fumbling

open the door and facing an American MP who held a piece of paper in his hand. "I have an evacuation order," he said. "Please pack your personal gear immediately and wait for further word." I asked him to please check on the Morrills and told him how to get to their house, and then he was gone.

Toni, who had joined me on the porch, and I came back in and set our minds in motion: "What should we pack?" "Where will we go?" "How long will we be gone?" "Has the situation worsened so drastically during the night?" "What is happening?"

Eight-year-old Laura was the first of the children to wake up. She had heard the door open and close. She said, "Daddy, was Brownie (the dog) in the house?" "No, sweetie, the American MP just came and said they want us to evacuate Da Nang for a while. We are packing." (Relating the story later, Laura said the MP told us to "evaporate.")

Since the suitcases were stored in the girls' room, Margaret (six) was awakened when I got them out. She asked Laura what the noise was and then went back to sleep when told, "Daddy is getting the suitcases for us to leave."

Eleven-year-old Michael took turns with Toni and me packing and listening to the radio for further instructions.

Gray (three) slept through all the preparations, came tumbling sleepily down a hall filled with suitcases, and, as

if all were normal, resumed work on an airplane he had started, building with blocks the night before.

As the neighborhood stirred to life the children wanted to say good-bye to their Vietnamese friends. We told them to wait until the actual order came.

"Proceed to the Da Nang hotel enlisted quarters or the 1 Corps officers mess for immediate evacuation by helicopter."

This was it. Good-byes were said. Our household helper said she would stay until all the Vietnamese neighbors left, and we agreed and were off. We joined dozens of other Americans who perhaps were thinking, as we were: Are we coming back? Where are we going? Are all Americans in Vietnam leaving? What will become of our work?

The helicopters took us to the U. S. naval station hospital about seven miles from Da Nang. At this writing we are still there.

## Chaplain Gets Silver Star For Bravery

BINH DINH PROVINCE, Viet Nam (BP)—A Southern Baptist Chaplain who made nearly a dozen trips carrying wounded soldiers under enemy fire to an evacuation point here has been awarded the Silver Star for bravery.

He is Chaplain Billy R. Lord, a native of New Iberia, La., and a graduate of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

"I'm not a fighting man, but I want to be where my men are when they're in a fight," said Lord, a 1963 bachelor of divinity graduate of the New Orleans Baptist Seminary.

When the Viet Cong ambushed a company of the U. S. First Air Cavalry Division in Binh Dinh Province on Oct. 12, Lord was at a nearby first aid station.

He rushed to the ambush site and began helping the wounded. When the company withdrew under fire across a river, Lord made nearly a dozen trips back and forth carrying wounded to the evacuation point.

Heavy sniper fire kept the Americans hugging the earth. Then Lord noticed that the A Company medic was missing.

Lord then made one more trip across the river, found the wounded medic, and carried him back.

"When the men are wounded, it sometimes takes a long time to get them to an area where they can be evacuated. I like to be there to help get them out," he explained.

"I'm able to administer first aid, and spiritual aid. I can do this, and I want to do this," he added.

He is a former pastor of the Arkadelphia Baptist Church in Bailey, Miss.

Lord is looking forward to going back to Louisiana to see his wife and three children at the end of this tour of duty.

## "Fashions For Parsons' Wives Meeting Theme

DETROIT (BP)—The Conference of Ministers' Wives of the Southern Baptist Convention will hold a luncheon here May 25, carrying out the theme "Fashions for Parsons' Wives."

The annual meeting for wives of Baptist ministers will be held at the Central Methodist Church in Detroit, Woodward at Arms.

Speaker for the occasion will be Mrs. Woodson Arms, wife of the pastor of the First Baptist Church, El Paso, Tex., and corresponding secretary for the organization.

Tickets (\$2.25 each) and reservations may be obtained by contacting Mrs. DuBose at 2619 Cass Ave., Detroit 46201. Tickets will also be on sale at Cobo Hall during sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention, May 24-27.

In addition to the luncheon, a tea for the organization's Executive Board and other invited guests will be held Tuesday, 3:00 p. m., at the Michigan Baptist state convention office, 285 Cass.



PASTORS DISCUSS PROGRAM—Jimmy Hardwick, BD student from Quitman, Ga., and pastor of Central Church, Thornton, discusses the SBC Pastors' Conference program with president James E. Coggins against the background of the Travis Ave. church steeple.

## Family Serves At Toxish 130 Consecutive Years

Toxish Church, Pontotoc County, recognized Mrs. Louise Ware McCleskey, on a recent Sunday morning, and presented to her a Bible in appreciation for her 31 years of service as church treasurer. Mrs. McCleskey, her father, and her grandfather have held positions of leadership in the Toxish Church for 130 consecutive years.

Mrs. McCleskey's grandfather, Dr. James A. Ware, moved from Siloam Church, Abbeville, South Carolina, to Mississippi in 1836. In October, 1837, he helped to organize Toxish Church, and remained there as pastor until 1865.

His son, Agnew Ware, spent his life in service to the Toxish Church and community. He was deacon and treasurer of Toxish Church, and at the time of his death in 1935, he was succeeded as treasurer by his daughter, Louise Ware McCleskey.

Rev. R. B. Deline, present Toxish pastor, says, "Her loyal devotion to duty for thirty-one years attests to her Christian heritage. We pay tribute, not only to Mrs. McCleskey, but to her forebears who have been a vital part of this community for 130 years. Seldom can one find three people whose lives of service can span this period of time and leave an imprint which is as lasting and abiding."

## Broadmoor Church, Jackson, Ordains Missionary To India, Honorary Deacon

Dr. and Mrs. Jasper McPhail were honored at a reception at Broadmoor, Jackson, May 8, following the evening worship service.

The McPhails conducted both morning services and the evening worship service. Since 1962 they have served at Christian Medical College, Vellore, India.

Dr. and Mrs. McPhail are the only two Southern Baptist

missionaries in India, and they are presently on leave from their overseas assignment.

At the reception Dr. McPhail was ordained as honorary deacon of Broadmoor church action passed previously.

Born in Slate Springs, Miss., Dr. McPhail received his training at Mississippi

College, Baylor University College of Medicine, and University of Mississippi. Dr. McPhail was Head Nurse of the Internal Medicine ward of University Hospital before completing her graduate degree of Registered Nurse Anesthetist, following which she served 2 years at St. Dominic Hospital in Jackson before accompanying her husband to India in 1962.

## Detroit Tigers Games Conflict With Convention

DETROIT (BP)—Baseball will be in full swing when the Southern Baptist Convention meets here, May 24-27.

The Detroit Tigers will play each night that the convention meets, and will host the Cleveland Indians in a double-header on the convention's opening night.

While Convention President Wayne Dehoney and Convention Sermon Preacher Ray Roberts are preaching in a double-header opening convention session, the Tigers will be playing the Indians in a "twi-night" (afternoon-evening) double header.

And each remaining night of the convention, the Tigers will tempt the Baptists away from the convention sessions at Cobo Hall.

Detroit plays Cleveland Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights, May 24-27; and the Tigers take on the California Angels Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 27-29.

When the Tigers take to the diamond, a Southern Baptist will probably be in the outfield. Don Demeter, in his second year with the Detroit club, is an active Southern Baptist, and attended Eber Memorial Baptist Church last year.

Detroit is the home of four professional teams in sports—the baseball Tigers, the football Lions, the basketball Pistons, and the hockey Red Wings.

## Shea Tribute Is Featured In May 'Church Musician'

NASHVILLE—"They Gave Me the Melody," a tribute by George Beverly Shea to his parents, is featured in the May issue of "The Church Musician."

One of America's favorite gospel singers, Shea has been a member of the Billy Graham Crusade team for 21 years. His story, as told to Fred Bauer, has been used by permission of "Guideposts" magazine.

Shea tells of a visit with his 83-year-old mother, which reminded him of three significant things in his life—a piano, an altar and a straight-back chair.

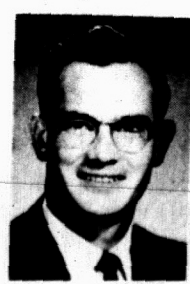
Another article in the May issue, which tells of a different kind of influence, is Dr. Rabun L. Brantley's "A Choir Member's Witness."

## CHURCH ADMINISTRATION CONFERENCE

First Baptist Church • West Point  
May 16-17

### PROGRAM

**Monday Afternoon**  
2:00 Welcome and Orientation  
2:15 What Is Church Administration  
3:15 How to Improve the Community's Image of Your Church  
4:15 How to Work With Volunteer Workers  
5:00 Question and Answer Period  
5:30 Adjourn  
**Monday Evening**  
7:00 Meditation  
7:15-9:00 Simultaneous Conferences  
**Deacon Section**  
1. What is the Deacon's Work?  
2. How Deacons Organize to Get the Job Done  
**Pastor, Church Staff, and Church Committee Section**  
1. How Deacons Can Share the Work Load  
2. Ten Steps to Effective Church Programming  
**Tuesday Morning**  
8:00 Meditation  
8:10 How to Write Church Goals  
10:00 Break  
10:15 How to Improve Your Communication



J. Elvin Reeves  
Church Administration Department  
Baptist Sunday School Board  
Nashville, Tennessee



Charles Tidwell  
School of Religious Education  
Southwestern Seminary  
Fort Worth, Texas

11:00 Simultaneous Conferences  
**Pastor & Church Staff Section**  
The Secret of Effective Time Management  
**Church Secretaries Section**  
You Can Be A Better Church Secretary  
The What and How of Church Records  
12:15 Adjourn  
**Tuesday Afternoon**  
1:30 How to Build a Budget Based on Needs  
2:30 Break  
2:45 Simultaneous Conferences (choose one)  
**The Administration of Church Facilities**  
Tips on Improving Your Church Publications and Correspondence  
3:45 Simultaneous Conferences (choose one)  
**How to Use Your Administrative Tools**  
Principles of Effective Committee Work  
File It and Find It  
5:15 Adjourn  
**Tuesday Evening**  
7:00 Meditation  
7:15 How the Church Council Functions  
8:00 Adjourn



**Largest Circulation of Any Newspaper  
Of Any Kind In Mississippi  
JOE T. ODLE, Editor**

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U. S. Average	1.47 gals. "spirits" per capita.
U. S. Control States	1.17
U. S. License States	1.59
Alabama	.59
Arkansas	0.70
Georgia	1.07
Louisiana	1.52
Tennessee	0.57
MISSISSIPPI	0.54

Experience has shown that when liquor consumption increases, crime increases. Oklahoma experienced a large increase in its crime rate in the first five years after legalization of liquor. Do we want that in

Much has been said about vast sums of money

They, alone, should say what they want the future of Mississippi to be.

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WILLIAM CAREY COLLEGE'S lovely May Queen, Barbara Brown, front center, posed with her court prior to the annual May Day activities held on the Carey campus Saturday, May 7. The maids are, second row, left to right: Beth Peavy, Columbia; Faye Cole, Prentiss. Back row, left to right: Sandra Tanner, Mobile, Alabama; Mary Jean McNeely, New Orleans, Louisiana; Betty McElhane, Atmore, Alabama; Clara Ann Robinson, Chickasaw, Alabama; and Linda Waldon, Mobile, Alabama.

## My First Southern Baptist Convention

By J. L. Boyd Sr., Clinton

Being a recently licensed young preacher, not ever having preached a sermon and making plans to enter the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary that fall, I felt a need to mingle with men of the "cloth". I attended the 1910 session of the Southern Baptist Convention on May 11-16 at Baltimore, Md. It was at the time when Halley's Comet was in the Earth's neighborhood with a tail of marvelous proportion. Along about midnight in the vicinity of Wheeling, West Virginia, the conductor signalled a halt to the long train of Pullman cars, loaded with Baptist sleepers, for any or all of them to arise from their bunks and view the Comet in its greatest lustre. It was a sight never to be forgotten.

When we arrived at Baltimore and got settled, I began footing it through the resident and business section of the city. It was my first time in

a great city, and I was alone; yet, not alone, since the populace were moving hither and yon, back and forth, on foot, and by horse and buggy or hack, it being before the automobile's day. I was greatly impressed by the dwelling houses being so close together, barely a single wall, apparently, between, but made as beautiful and attractive and clean as soap and water could do. There were no porches in front, as I recall, and no yard. The front doors opened onto the side walk. I have never seen anything like it, nor as clean looking. Apparently the city made special preparation for entertaining the Convention folk; and the bulk of the messengers to the Convention were entertained in the homes of the people as was the custom in that day.

The sessions of the Convention were held in Lyric Hall, it having the largest seating capacity, in the city. There were no loud speakers in those days to fret and fume over; but the masses of people could hear—because the speakers spoke to be heard. Being so alone and of little significance anyway, I sat in the auditorium near the rear, coming early to get the back seat. From that position I could view the people coming and going on both sides, and the "greats" and "near greats" as they assembled on the platform. Noble Van Ness of Foreign Mission Board, and B. D. Gray of the Home Mission Board, and J. M. Frost of the Sunday School

Board were in evidence. Joshua Levering, President of the Convention, of Baltimore, Md. was a man of dignity and graciousness. But the two Convention Secretaries—Lanning Burrows and Oliver Fuller Gregory, were conspicuous, whose voices resounded when they read the minutes or made announcements.

The Convention extended over six days—Morning, Afternoon and Evening. On the Second Day, Evening Session, George W. Truett is reported to "be determined to invite to the session of the Convention on Saturday Rev. F. B. Meyer of London, President of the World's Sunday School Convention." From what I had formerly vaguely heard of F. B. Meyer and also that he was the President of the World's Sunday School Convention I was determined to hear him when he was to appear before the Convention. When that hour came the Hall was filled to capacity. I was in my accustomed seat, in the rear. He held us spellbound. If I recall correctly, his was the last message of that hour. As the great crowd sought an outlet at the back door, I still stood looking at the man of the hour as those seated on the platform and others from the floor pressed forward to shake his hand and say a brief word. Then I moved slowly down a side aisle toward the front and onto the platform. It suddenly dawned on me that I was getting out of "my element" and I stepped aside for others to follow. There I stood with

Dr. Meyer in full view of me. I seemed to be reminding myself that I was looking at the man who was said to be the greatest Baptist in the world at that hour. I turned and hurried from the building, hoping that I had not appeared to some to be so "country-fied."



THE 40TH ANNUAL STUDENT CONFERENCE at Ridgecrest Assembly June 9-15 will feature as platform speakers W. Wayne Dehoney (top, L), retiring president of the Southern Baptist Convention, Jackson, Tenn.; and Arthur L. Mallory (top, R), president of Southwest Missouri State College, Springfield. Shown below are Miss Irene Jordan, artist in residence, Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., and well-known performer in opera and concert, who will be guest soloist, and Claude Rhea, chairman of the division of fine arts at Houston Baptist College, who will be music director for the week. —BSB Photo.

## — THE FAMILY CORNER —

### Ice From Heaven

Mrs. Leh was burning with fever. She tossed restlessly on an old pallet, in a dark corner of the mud floor of the Chinese hut she called home.

The day was sultry. Not a breath stirred the mulberry trees along the canal, or relieved the fetid air of the sick room. The flies buzzed noisily about and the mosquito plied his deadly work unmolested. The month was August; the sun-dial in the temple grounds showed the shadow far past noon, but the world still simmered in heat.

The missionary doctor, on his daily rounds of mercy, appeared in the open doorway of the dingy hut. The patient's face brightened, and she stretched her thin, yellow hands toward him as he knelt beside her in kindly solitude and breathed a word of earnest prayer to the great Healer.

While the doctor ministered to her professionally, he noticed that her eyes were fixed on his face with intense eagerness, then she opened her lips and spoke:

"Tell me, Doctor, does God want His children to have what is good for them?" The doctor beamed. "Oh yes, Mrs. Leh. He is a loving Father, and will not withhold any good thing from those who ask it."

Then her face grew more eager and her hot fingers clutched him—"Doctor, would not ice be good for me?"

The good physician afterward admitted that he was conscious of a mental recoil as the question smote hard upon his reasoning facilities and he saw the inevitable trend of her logic, but he stood to his guns bravely.

"Yes, my good woman, ice would be very good for you, but you know that this is mid-summer and it is hundreds of miles to the nearest ice factory, and we must try to not want the impossible."

She insisted:

"But is not God, all-power-

ful?" The doctor shifted uneasily as he felt himself being driven on to what he considered dangerous ground; but there was only one reply to make and he made it with a steady voice but with trembling heart.

"Yes, nothing is too great for Him."

The clutch of the woman's fingers tightened and the glassy eyes searched his face for final satisfaction.

"Then, Doctor, will you go home, gather the missionaries together and have them beseech God and He will send me ice to cool my burning fever."

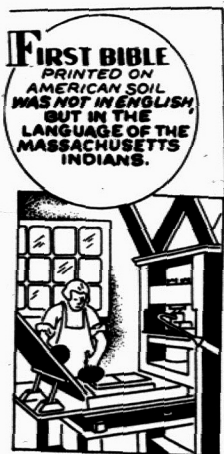
The missionary felt that the eyes of heathendom were upon him as the woman's friends gathered close to him and peered into his face to hear what his answer would be. Could God do more than Buddha? Would He make ice on a hot summer's day for a poor woman like Mrs. Leh?

The missionary man of science said he felt himself being hurled, with tremendous force, up against the promises of God, by this simple woman of great faith who but yesterday was a heathen. Believe in prayer? Of course he did, otherwise he would not be a missionary, but to ask for ice was a different matter. He felt that he was being sent ice out of a blazing August sky, to please a querulous fever patient—that seemed little short of presumption. And yet—he was God's representative. He could not desert the woman in her extremity. He would go any distance—do anything in reason to get her what she so sorely needed.

Then the truth broke upon him—how much more would his Heavenly Father hear the prayer of His trusting child, who was just turning to Him from heathen darkness. Yes, he would go home, humble his intellectual pride and pray for—the impossible.

The doctor's wife, noting his rather downcast mien as he entered the mission compound, ran to meet him. She was told of the desperate challenge of his faith and the disastrous results that might follow should the prayer not be answered.

To his surprise, his wife responded joyfully, "How lovely! I have just been longing for a real adventure in faith!"



### One-Talent Bird

By "Lena Dear" Stephenson  
Sunday School Teacher  
First Church, Jackson

Dear little one-talent bird,  
When God made your throat  
He placed therein  
Just one shrill note;

Whenever I listen,  
Be it early or late,  
You are piping away  
As if pleased with your fate.

A lesson you've taught me,  
Dear one-talent bird,  
A lesson that's found  
In God's Holy Word:

Just one thing is required  
Of both creature and man,  
From sunrise to sunrise  
Do the best that you can!

Today the Scriptures are Japan's non-fiction best seller and the Christian church there is approaching the million mark in membership.

### Who Said It?

Match the Bible quotation with the name of the man who said it:

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| M. ary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.                                     | 1. David |
| A sk and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. | 2. Luke  |
| Y ea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil.             | 3. Jesus |

Answers:

Y-1 (Psalms 23:4)  
A-3 (Matthew 7:7)  
M-2 (Luke 2:19)

And here it is! Of course we are not going to be disappointed. I will send out the prayer call at once!

These friends, comrades in an alien land had stood together many times in spiritual emergencies, so now, as the messenger ran from door to door, they dropped their ordinary work and hurried to the doctor's house. There the incident was rehearsed. They took counsel together. They reviewed God's promise. They prayed—prayed as only they can pray who, forsaking all, have gone to the ends of the earth at His command. They pleaded that His name might be glorified among the heathen, and that the faith of this suffering woman might be honored as in the old Galilean days. Then a great burden of intercession fell upon them and they forgot time and place until they were suddenly brought back to themselves by a terrific clap of thunder—then another and another, as though the heavens would split.

As they rose from their knees a heavy rain was pouring down the eaves, and backed by a tempestuous wind was driving through the open window in sheets, the dusty trees were drenched

and rivulets were running down the sides of the walks. The confusion of the storm was presently augmented by a sharp bombardment—as though millions of pebbles were being dashed against the window panes and on the roof. When the doctor cautiously opened the door to see what was taking place, great hailstones were seen banking in glittering heaps of ice upon the sills and about the steps.

"The ice—the ice—I knew it would come!" and the doctor's wife clasped her hands together in solemn ecstasy.

"Hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?" queried the evangelist. "Yea, verily," responded the doctor, as he hurried into the hall for his hat and umbrella. Then putting his head back through the doorway long enough to say, "Please return thanks," he ran out into the flooded streets, making his way along the wet cobblestones to the home of his patient.

The storm had almost spent itself when he came in sight of the house, leaving a delightful freshness in the air, but the wind was still struggling through the bamboo branches and the mulberry trees had been riddled by the hail, and bits of green leaves mingled with ice lay along the ground where lately there had been only brown dust.

As the doctor entered the humble doorway the setting sun broke through a cloud and threw a ray of light across the face of Mrs. Leh, which was transfigured by an expression of radiant serenity, as though the Master had been there Himself, with His healing touch.

Her hands were full of melting hail, placed there by her awed and wondering friends, who were standing in groups talking about the "Jesus doctrine." At the sight of the physician she broke forth joyously, "See, Doctor! God has sent me ice from heaven. Now I shall be well. Tell my friends about the Jesus doctrine, for they also believe!"

"Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,"—Ephesians 3:20.  
—The Evangelical Christian

## TEEN-AGER GO HOME!

(Note: The following Open Letter to a Teen-ager first received public attention when it was quoted by Juvenile Judge Philip B. Gilliam, of Denver. More recently it appeared in Abigail Van Buren's syndicated newspaper column. The author of the letter is not known.)

"We hear teen-agers complain, 'What can we do? Where can we go?'

"The answer is: Go home. Paint the woodwork, rake the leaves, mow the lawn, sweep the walk. Wash the car, scrub the floors. Help the minister, the Red Cross, the Salvation Army. Visit the sick, the poor. Study your lessons. And when you are through, if you're not too tired, read a book.

"Your parents do not owe you entertainment. Your city doesn't owe you a recreation center. The world doesn't owe you a living. You owe it your time and energy and your talent so that no one will be at war or in poverty or sick or lonely again.

"You're supposed to mature enough to accept some of the responsibilities your parents have carried for years. They have nursed, protected, excused and tolerated you. They have denied themselves comforts so that you could have luxuries. This they have done gladly, for you are their greatest treasure. Teen-agers, grow up and go home!"—Harrisburg Herald



"I'm just not ready to settle down yet, Millie..."

### Why Is It . . .

A man wakes up in the morning after sleeping under an advertised blanket in an advertised bed. On an advertised mattress. Between two advertised sheets. Pulls off his advertised pajamas. Takes a bath in his advertised tub. Washes with an advertised soap. Shaves with an advertised razor. Uses advertised razor blades. Applies advertised shaving lotion. Brushes his hair with an advertised brush. Puts on advertised clothes. Sits down to breakfast of advertised coffee. Eats advertised ham and eggs. Brushes his teeth with advertised toothpaste. Puts on an advertised hat. Starts his car with an advertised battery. Hides to work in an advertised car. On advertised tires. Sits down to his advertised telephone. Writes with an advertised pen. THEN he refuses to advertise. Says advertising doesn't pay. But when his business fails. He finally advertises. BUSINESS FOR SALE! IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE! Write us for advertising rates.

## GA FOCUS WEEK MAY 8-14



"HOLD HIGH THE TORCH" was the theme of the GA Coronation at First Church, Corinth, last year. Thirty-nine girls received awards for work completed in all steps, Maiden through Queen-Regent-in-Servant. Miss Ruth Little, state GA director, was the speaker. Mrs. Sherman Oates is GA director; Rev. P. A. Michel is pastor.



A GA CORONATION SERVICE at Heuck's Retreat Church, Lincoln County, is pictured above. Mrs. Jewell Smith was GA director at the time of this service. Rev. R. A. Coulter, Jr. is pastor.

### Fathers Crown GA QUEENS

Last fall, the Girls' Auxiliary of the Gore Springs Church, Grenada County, were presented in a Coronation service using the theme, "Star Ideals." The background was a large gold star, with a poster at each of the points illustrating the five star ideals.

The Queens marched under a flower-twined arch; then each knelt to be crowned by her father, and to receive a GA pin from the church. The Queens were Dianne Barnett, Beverly Jenkins, Sandra Stroud, and Nancy Gillon.

### GA Allegiance

Knowing that countless people grope in darkness and giving attention to his commands, I assert my allegiance to Jesus Christ, to His church and its activities, attempting with God's help to abide in Him through prayer, to advance in wisdom by Bible study, to acknowledge my stewardship of time, money, and personality, to adorn myself with good works, and to accept the challenge of the Great Commission.

Mrs. H. S. Rogers and Mrs. Earl Gillon are the GA leaders. Rev. H. S. Rogers is pastor.

### Coronation

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GA Watchword  
Arise, shine, for thy light is come. Isaiah 60:1.





# Names In The News

Miss Mary Patricia Channel, of Crystal Springs, a freshman representing Hederman-Gunter Residence Hall, has captured the Miss Mississippi College title and the right to represent the college in the Miss Mississippi Contest at Vicksburg later this summer. First alternate was Miss Joan Myers of Forest, a freshman and earlier this year named as the college's "Most Beautiful." Miss Jean Quesenberry of Grenada was second alternate, while Miss Eva Carol Aultman of Columbia and Miss Sandra Lee Ross of Pelahatchie finished third and fourth respectively. Miss Aultman is the daughter of Dr. Howard Aultman, pastor, First Church, Columbia.

Mr. & Mrs. J. H. Street, of the staff of Clarke College, participated in a statewide Baptist Student Union Officers Retreat in Arkansas, April 29-May 1. The retreat was held at Camp Tanako, on Lake Catherine, near Hog Springs. Over 250 officers of B. S. U. organizations on the campuses of Arkansas Colleges were in attendance. Mr. Street, Clarke Public Relations Director, led the Bible study for the retreat and taught the young men's Sunday School class, with emphasis upon the Christian Home. Mrs. Street, receptionist in the President's office at Clarke, led vespers services and morning watch, and taught the girls' Sunday school class, centering her teaching about the role of the wife in the Christian home.

Mississippi College senior Patsy Blaine of Ackerman has been awarded a \$2000 fellowship for advanced study at Louisiana State University.

Miss Blaine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garvis Blaine, plans to work towards a master's degree in speech therapy at the Louisiana school. The scholarship is renewable. Scheduled to receive her bachelor of arts degree from Mississippi College May 29, Miss Blaine is majoring in speech with a minor in education.

John Franklin Brock, III, a senior student at Moss Point High School has been awarded the \$1,000 Thomas M. Hederman, III, Endowed Memorial Scholarship to Mississippi College for the 1966-67 school year, according to Dr. Charles W. Scott, dean of students and chairman of the Financial Assistance for Students Committee. Brock's primary interest is science and mathematics, with his ultimate goal being a research scientist.

DR. J. D. GREY has just observed the 29th anniversary of his coming as pastor of First Church, New Orleans. Well known in Mississippi, Dr. Grey has been one of leaders in the building of a mighty Baptist witness in New Orleans and all of the area around it. In addition to this he has been an outstanding leader in Baptist work in America and to the ends of the earth.

Mrs. C. C. Warren, of Charlotte, N. C., (wife of the former head of the 30,000 Movement, and former pastor of First Church, Charlotte) suffered multiple fractures in a fall April 6. She was hanging drapes in her husband's study, when she fell and broke her hip and leg in three places. Major surgery was performed April 8. Mrs. Warren is the former Mrs. Sybil Brame Townsend, the daughter of



LOOKAHOMA CHURCH had a ground breaking ceremony Sunday afternoon, April 24, for a new sanctuary that will accommodate 225 and allow for 1260 sq. feet of additional educational space. The building should be completed in August. Pictured are the Building Committee and pastor. From left to right—John May, Leslie Riales, Chairman Andrew Eoff, Pastor Wayne Allen, and Lamar Crockett.

## Woman's Missionary Union

The Brotherhood and Woman's Missionary Union will be sponsoring Camps for the Choctaw Indians to be held at Camp Garaywa. Mr. Paul Harrell, State RA Director, will serve as Camp Director for the Boys' Camp to be held May 28-31. Registration will begin at 1:15 May 28. Howard Hamrick will be the missionary speaker. Rev. Hamrick is a former missionary to Indonesia and is now serving as pastor of the Improve Baptist Church in Columbia. Rev. Thomas Nicky will be the Camp Pastor for the Boys' and Girls' Camp.

Miss Waudine Storey, State Sunbeam Band Director, will serve as Camp Director for the Choctaw Girls' Camp to be held May 31—June 3. Mrs. Curtis Askew, missionary to Japan and Miss Marjean Patterson, State WMU Director will be the missionary speakers. A very fine program is in store for those who will attend either of these Camps.

The Lutheran Church in America Foundation has distributed \$575,940 to church-related agencies since its founding in 1963.

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## Sunday School

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Mrs. Bette Stalneckner of the Stalneckner Music Team will sing during the Sunday school program and assist in the Kindergarten Workshop music instruction.

**STALNECKER MUSIC CONCERT**  
The Stalneckner Music Team composed of Bette and Ed Stalneckner, Carol and David Tyson, will present a musical concert Thursday night, June 30 at 8:00 p.m.

## Training Union

### CHURCH ADMINISTRATION CONFERENCE

First Baptist Church, West Point  
May 16-17

A conference planned primarily for pastors and church staff members with special conferences for deacons on Monday night; for church council members on Tuesday night; and for church secretaries Tuesday morning.

Conference leaders: J. Elvin Reeves, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee; and Charles Tidwell, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

**God Loves Retarded Children Too**  
"God Loves Me" is a special study unit for those who work with mentally retarded children in the church. It will be available early in June and can be secured with your regular church literature order for seventy-two cents per copy. It is not listed on the third quarter order blank but it will be available.

- ### Youth Week Reports
- 47. BETHESDA BAPTIST CHURCH, Hinds Association. Reported by Pastor Charles Rogers.
  - 48. MT. CARMEL BAPTIST CHURCH, Lowndes Association. Reported by Training Union Director, Mrs. Curtis Harris.
  - 49. UNITY BAPTIST CHURCH, Tishomingo Association. Reported by Pastor V. T. Preley.
  - 50. NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH, Tate Association. Reported by Mrs. C. E. Taylor.
  - 51. NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH, Lawrence Association. Reported by Pastor J. E. Bethune.
  - 52. BIEZI BAPTIST CHURCH, Alcorn Association. Diane Hughes, Wayne Moore, Les Curlee, Cathey Johnson, Regina Furtick, and Sandy Curlee served as officers.
  - 53. SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH CALHOUN CITY, Calhoun Association. Reported by Maxine Simmons, Training Union Director.
  - 54. ROCKY BRANCH BAPTIST CHURCH, Calhoun Association. Reported by Robert Howe.
  - 55. MONTROSE BAPTIST CHURCH, Jasper Association. Reported by Mrs. J. C. Alexander.
  - 56. SOCIETY HILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Jeff Davis Association. Lynn Stephens, Evelyn Polk, Kenneth Stephens, St. Upton, served as Youth Week officers.
  - 57. HEPZIBAH BAPTIST CHURCH, Jeff Davis Association. Elton Letchworth, Pastor Ray Hedgepeth, Song Leader Jackie Fortenberry, Training Union Director, Mickey Ward, Sunday School Superintendent.
  - 58. SCOOBA BAPTIST CHURCH, Kemmer Association. Reported by Training Union Director Mrs. Clay Williams.

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## Sunday Reports

Sunday School Attendance  
Training Union Attendance  
Additions To The Church

MAY 8, 1966		
Aberdeen, First	359	112
Amory, First	409	112
Amory, Meadowood	161	75
Belzoni, Calvary	111	101
Belzoni, First	345	67
Bethlehem (Jones)	205	123
Biloxi, Emmanuel	319	112
Brandon, First	420	187
Brookhaven, First	699	166
Bruce, First	349	123
Clinton, Morrison Hgts.	362	135
Columbia, First	459	191
Columbus, Fairview	330	134
Columbus, First	706	168
Forest	286	85
Grenada, First	532	168
Gulfport, First	813	166
Handshore	37	9
Hattiesburg:		
Central	331	178
First	369	173
Main Street	835	276
38th Avenue	251	132
Hickory	175	83
Houston, First	353	102
Parkway	70	46
Jackson:		
Midway	388	164
Alta Woods	589	278
Broadmoor	1294	468
First	1266	275
Woodville Heights	208	77
McDowell Road	280	124
Highland	321	158
Brarwood Drive	295	126
Parthill	289	132
Hillcrest	578	194
Oak Forest	519	172
West Jackson	373	174
Robinson Street	267	130
Parkway	923	402
Daniel	531	165
Southside	318	137
Woodland Hills	675	264
Van Winkle	499	215
Calvary	1359	483
Mission	83	27
Kosciusko, First	458	132
Maple Street Chapel	19	12
Kosciusko, Parkway	191	79
Laurel:		
First	447	119
Highland	404	149
Wildwood	292	112
Magnolia Street	418	175
Second Avenue	358	142
Missions	132	
Long Beach	405	20
Mission	31	76
Ludlow	75	35
Lyon	28	60
Roundaway Mission	17	
Macon, First	207	72
Marysville	61	18
McComb:		
Locust Street	174	110
South McComb	273	122
Navilla	236	132
Meadville, First	192	83
Meridian:		
Calvary	350	126
Fewell Survey Man.	31	12
Pine Springs Man.	23	
Oakland Heights	225	124
State Boulevard	405	135
Poplar Springs Dr.	566	144
Fifteenth Avenue	492	156
New Hope	130	40
Mountain Creek	73	52
(Rankin)		
Pascagoula, Eastlawn	315	156
Pascagoula, First	593	216
Gulfcoast Nursing	16	
Home	43	
Martin Bluff	317	140
Petal Harvey	285	84
Memorial Dr. Man	30	
Pontotoc, First	402	160
Pontotoc, West Heights	236	79
Ripley, First	291	103
Rosedale, First	146	54
Ruth	14	
Savannah	207	139
Sardis (Copiah)	62	25
Sharon, First (Jones)	120	53
Springfield (Scott)	129	52
Starkville, First	864	327
Sunshine (Rankin)	136	78
Trinity (Jones)	196	80
Tupelo:		
Calvary	590	185
East Heights	391	125
First	484	153
West Jackson St.	221	97
Vicksburg:		
Bowmar Avenue	395	208
First	897	166
Trinity	123	75
Laurel, Trinity	160	81
McComb, First	467	111
Sandersville	208	138
Tupelo, 1st	497	176



James Webster  
**Begins Work At Van Winkle**

James Webster, a native of Pontotoc, began his work as minister of education of Van Winkle Church, Jackson, on May 1.

Mr. Webster is a graduate of Mississippi State University, and Southwestern Seminary. Prior to his coming to Van Winkle, Mr. Webster served as minister of education in the Eastover Church, Fort Worth, Texas; Hillcrest Church, Jackson; and Ingewood Church, Nashville, Tenn.

Mrs. Webster is the former Katherine Irwin, a native of Jackson. The Websters and their three children, Jimmy, Jon, Kathy and Barry, will be living at 4123 Carter Circle, Jackson.

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# THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON—

## Jehoiada Saves The House Of David

By Clifton J. Allen  
2 Kings 11:1-12;  
2 Chronicles 22-24

In this lesson we continue our study of the history of Judah, very



strongly influenced by the history of Israel. There was intermarriage between the two royal families. Jehoram, son of Jehoshaphat, married Athaliah, the daughter of Ahab and Jezebel. Jehoram led Judah into idolatry and fornication, for which God's righteous judgment fell upon his house. Ahaziah, a son, reigned but one year and was slain

by Jehu of Israel. Athaliah then usurped the throne by murdering the children of her son—all save one, Joash, who was hid in the Temple by the wife of Jehoiada, the priest. Athaliah was a true daughter of Jezebel, but subject to retribution under the judgment of God.

### The Lesson Explained GOD'S MAN IN A CRISIS (2 Kings 11:4, 9-12)

Jehoiada realized that the only way to save Judah from Baalism was to destroy Athaliah. Decisive action had to be taken, for the welfare of the nation was at stake. He, therefore, called together the captains of the royal bodyguard and enlisted them in plans for revolt. He bound them with an oath and then showed them the king's son, the rightful heir to the throne. Jehoiada provided the spiritual leadership demanded by the crisis and needed for a revolt.

Jehoiada's plan was carried out faithfully. The guards were given spears and shields which David had given for the Temple. The people were called together for a solemn assembly. Joash was brought forth from secrecy. Jehoiada placed upon him the king's crown. The response of the people was one of great joy in recognizing their rightful king. Athaliah cried out, "Treason, treason." But according to Jehoiada's plan, she was taken from the precincts of the Temple and slain.

### COVENANT WITH THE LORD (2 Kings 11:17-19)

The coronation ceremony ended with the service of dedication. Jehoiada sought to bind the king and the people of the nation in a covenant with the Lord and then to bind the people in loyalty to the king. Extreme measures had been taken in order to rid the land of Baalism. The people went to the house of Baal and broke it down and slew the priest of Baal before the altar. Jehoiada set in process the re-establishment of true worship.

### COUNSELOR OF THE KING (2 Kings 12:2)

It was, of course, necessary for the boy king to be guided by a mature person. The high priest gave the growing youth the instruction and training which qualified him later to rule the nation.

### CROWNING TRIBUTE (2 Chron. 24:15-16)

As long as Jehoiada lived, Joash served the Lord with fidelity. Actually, Jehoiada had been God's savior of the nation. The crowning tribute of his life was shown by his being buried with the kings. The sad sequence is that, after Jehoiada died, Joash became the victim of flattery and persuasion by the princes of Judah, so that he and the people left the house of God to serve idols. Joash lacked the strength to stand firm when he had to stand alone.

### Truths to Live By

Zeal for the Lord inspires heroic deeds.—There are crises confronting Christians which call them to undertake difficult roles and perhaps dangerous assignments. It may be in a city slum, on a courthouse square, at a factory, or at an athletic contest. Someone needs to come to the defense of a lonely person about to be made the object of embarrassment or mistreatment. Someone needs to champion an ethical principle in a business or political meeting, on a university campus, or in handling a government contract.

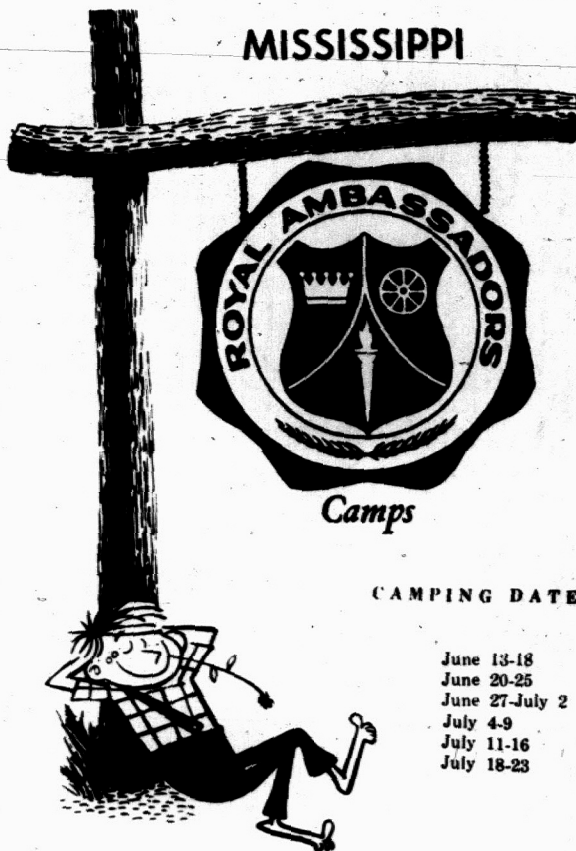
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Professional football star Bill Glass of Cleveland, Ohio, at the Bethel Baptist Church, Roseville, Mich.

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## GOODWATER OBSERVES "MEMBERSHIP ROUND-UP MONTH"

Goodwater Church, Magee, is observing the month of May as "Membership Round-Up Month." Rev. Wesley G. Ellis is pastor.

The membership roll of the church is being checked, with a portion called on Sunday morning, Sunday night, and Wednesday night for five weeks. Reasons for this are to emphasize that the Sunday night and Wednesday night services are just as important as the Sunday morning services, and to locate all members of the church and to make needed corrections in the record.

Addresses of all non-resident members are being sought so that they may be encouraged to become active in a church where they live. The minimum responsibility of a church member—regular attendance—also is being emphasized. Some inactive members who need encouragement and prayers are being located. The membership list is being checked throughout the month at every service, with a goal of having 100% of the resident members attend at least one service during May. The deacons plan to visit every family in the church during the month as part of the "Deacon-Led Spiritual Growth Program" in which two deacons are assigned to every family.

The Sunday school, with Homer Garrett as superintendent, has a goal of 200 in Sunday school on May 29, which will be "High Attendance Day." There were 172 in attendance on May 1, and the all-time record is 183.

The Training Union, with V. J. Runnels as director, is aiming for 127 in attendance on May 29. The record is 126. The Brotherhood, under the leadership of Wiley Ainsworth, plans to distribute hand-marked New Testaments to every man present on May 29 and to encourage the Royal Ambassadors in their work. The W. M. U., with Mrs. Virgie Runnels as president, has attendance goals for the two meetings of the WMS and the auxiliaries during the month. The music ministry, under the leadership of Opal Mize, plans special music in every service. The Stewardship Committee, composed of Roy Jones, V. J. Runnels, and Robert Ham, plans a stewardship emphasis, with stewardship lessons to be taught in the Sunday school on May 22 and a titling commitment emphasis on May 29.

The Church Council has set the following goals: At least five professions of faith during the month, and at least six additions by letter. The pastor's messages during the month are on the church, responsibilities of members, results of salvation, discipline, and related subjects.

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CALVARY CHURCH, left to right: Jack Day, Dennis Brady, Ted Brady, Dr. Jack Stacy, and Mrs. Heber Simmons, accompanist.

The Men's Quartet, Calvary Church, Tupelo will be featured on an album to be produced in Detroit, Michigan, in May. The album, under the guidance of The Radio and Television Commission will be another first for Southern Baptists. It will contain musical highlights from the Convention when it meets in Detroit, May 23-27.

The Tupelo Quartet, making its second appearance at the Convention, will sing a medley of songs specially arranged by Paul Mickelson, former organist and team member for the Billy Graham Crusades.

Mrs. Heber Simmons, organist for Calvary Church, will serve as accompanist for the quartet.

## BAPTIST REVIVALS SLATED DURING CONVENTION TIME

DETROIT (BP)—Southern Baptist churches in the area surrounding Detroit and Chicago will hold numerous revival meetings in connection with the Southern Baptist Convention's annual sessions here, May 24-27.

In most cases, the evangelistic efforts will be held the week before the convention.

As a follow-up to the week of revivals in Detroit and surrounding area churches, a door-to-door evangelism visitation effort is being planned by Detroit Southern Baptists for the Thursday afternoon of the convention, May 28.

In Chicago, the nation's second largest city, evangelistic efforts have already begun prior to the convention. A Lake Michigan Evangelistic Campaign was conducted April 17-May 1, sponsored by the 64 churches and 14 missions in the Chicago Southern Baptist Association. The Chicago revivals are part of the Lake Michigan Operation Penetration, launched at a Tri-state Rally

in Chicago on March 11. The Operation Penetration effort is in progress among Baptists in Illinois, northern Indiana, Wisconsin and Minnesota. Ministers and music directors from throughout the nation are helping lead the revivals. The Chicago crusade was directed by Eual Lawson of the SBC Home Mission Board, Atlanta.

In Detroit, many of the churches will be concluding their revivals the Sunday just before the convention. Thousands of Southern Baptists who arrive early for the convention will be visiting the churches that Sunday.

Some of the evangelists for the revivals in the Detroit area before the convention include Robert G. Lee of Memphis, Tenn., at the Eber Memorial Baptist Church; Kenneth L. Chafin of Louisville, Ky., at Columbia Avenue Baptist Church of Pontiac, Mich.; K. Owen White of Los Angeles at the First Baptist Church of St. Clair Shores, Mich.; and profes-

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## DEVOTION

## Role Of Kingdom Citizen

Matthew 5:13-16

By C. H. Melton, Professor, Clarke College

Throughout His earthly ministry Jesus employed many interesting literary forms to convey His message to the human mind and heart. Frequently He used parables, hyperboles, personification, and other striking figures of speech.



In this passage of the sermon on the mount Jesus chose two significant words to impress upon the Kingdom citizen his place and functions in the world. In verse 13 He calls the Christian "the salt of the earth," and in verse 14, He calls him "the light of the world."

In dietetics salt is a most important and valuable substance. Those individuals who must live on a salt-free or salt-restricted diet are most keenly aware of the value of salt in bringing out the flavor of foods. Also, salt has been used for centuries to preserve meats and other perishable food stuffs. The reader who lived in a rural area before the appearance of food lockers and home freezers remembers the "old smoke-house" with its meat box in which pork was "cured."

Through his masterful use of words and ideas so familiar and significant to his auditors, Jesus emphasizes the concept that his follower is to function in the society of which he is a part as "salt" which has not lost its strength. Because of his optimism borne of a vibrant faith, his sweet and forgiving spirit in the faces of hardship or ill treatment, and his dedication to a life of humble and sacrificial service, the Christian gives to his world a flavor and "taste" which is beneficial indeed. By the same token, his courageous campaign in behalf of civil and social righteousness, his efforts to bring the unsaved into the Kingdom of God, and his faithful intercessions in behalf of others, the Christian proves to be a spiritual preservative in a degenerate and degraded society. "But if the salt have lost its savor, wherewith shall it be salted?" (v. 13a).

The second expression which Jesus so aptly uses is "light" (v. 14). Thomas Alva Edison has gained immortality in the minds of men because of his invention of the incandescent light bulb. The incandescent light bulb has made an incalculable contribution to man and his usefulness. The essential function of light is to dispel darkness. When darkness is dispelled, men are able to see clearly the ways in which they go. Thus light becomes a guide to safety and security.

Until the dark days of World War II the writer had never felt so keenly the gravity of this truth. He, at the time, was a student in a Baptist college in a Southern city. Because it was war-time and the government was endeavoring to give the best training possible to its service men, the college had made its men's dormitory living quarters for a military unit receiving specialized training. This fact necessitated the former male students' finding lodging elsewhere in the city. A gracious church and its pastor made a commendable investment in the ministries of their "preacher boys" by furnishing a part of the educational plant as living quarters and making these available to several ministerial students.

Because "Daylight War Time" was in effect, seven o'clock a. m. classes began sometime before daylight. The writer—who had only enough vision to see the glow of the street lights which hung in the middle of the streets—made quickly and safely the mile which separated his residence and the college by walking in the middle of the empty streets, guided by each street light as it came successively into view.

An interesting and significant thought is suggested by the kind of "light of the world" the Kingdom citizen is to be.



## Five From State To Graduate At Southwestern

Robert Y. Kerby, Florence, and Huey David Perry, Harrisville, will receive the Bachelor of Divinity degree while William G. Whitworth,

Tupelo, will receive the Bachelor of Church Music degree, Robert M. Herring, Meridian, the Master of Religious Education degree, and Robert A. Hall, Batesville, the Master of Church Music degree during spring commencement May 20 at Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth, Tex.

Dr. Scott L. Tatum, pastor of Broadmoor Church, Shreveport, La., will speak at

the exercises, scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. May 20 in Truett Auditorium.

A total of 190 degrees are to be conferred, including two doctors of theology and one doctor of religious education.

Mr. Kerby, who received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Furman University in 1960, is married and has three children. Mr. Perry, pastor, First Church, Newport, Tex., received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Tennessee Temple in 1960. He is married and has one child.

Mississippi College awarded the Bachelor of Science degree to Mr. Whitworth in 1961. He is minister of music, First Church, Foreston, Tex.

Mr. Herring, who is married to the former Patricia Wells of Prichard, Ala., received the Bachelor of Church Music degree from Mississippi College in 1964.

Mr. Hall is minister of music and youth, First Church, White Settlement, Fort Worth, Tex., is married and has one child.

## Clarke College Summer School Begins May 31

Dr. W. L. Compere, president, announces that the first term of summer school of Clarke College will begin May 31, and that examinations will be held on July 2. The second term will start on July 5 and end on August 6.

Dean J. Clifford Watson states that the following courses will be offered: Freshman English, taught by Mrs. J. C. Watson; Sophomore Literature, Mrs. J. H. Street; Biology courses, A. L. McGaugh; Hygiene, Mr. McGaugh; Mathematics 105, Mr. McGaugh; Western Civilization, Dr. James L. Clark. Also, courses in Bible and American History will be offered as demand may require, Dean Watson stated.

## Oregon - Wash. Convention Elects State Leader

PORTLAND, Oreg. (BP)—Roland P. Hood of Portland, Ore., has been elected executive secretary-treasurer of the Baptist General Convention of Oregon-Washington.

Hood, director of the convention's division of cooperative missions since 1952, will take over officially the position he has held on an interim basis for the past 15 months.

He was elected to the convention's top administrative position in a special called session of the convention here.



SEATED, left to right: Jan Douglas, Dr. W. G. Tanner, pastor, First Church, Gulfport, and Bruce Markley; standing, left to right, Dickie Fletcher, Hank Guest, David Smith.

## Five Surrender To The Ministry

Five young men in First Church, Gulfport (Dr. William G. Tanner, pastor), have surrendered their lives to the gospel ministry.

Dickie Fletcher, Bruce Markley, and Jan Douglas have recently been licensed to preach. David Smith and Hank Guest surrendered to the ministry during spring revival, and along with Dickie Fletcher, served as co-pastors and preached in worship services during youth week. David also serves as president of the church youth council, the position Jan Douglas held last year.

Jan and Bruce attended William Carey College this year, and Hank and David plan to enter there this fall.

Rev. Tommy Harrell, associate pastor, is youth director.

## Elmo Plans To Fence Cemetery

Elmo Church, Jefferson County, is sponsoring a drive to enlarge and storm-fence their cemetery.

Persons who have relatives buried in the cemetery, and other persons interested, may mail contributions for these improvements to Elmo Cemetery Fund, Route 2, Box 123, Fayette, Mississippi 39069.

Rev. C. O. Stegall is pastor.



STANLEY HOWELL, left, new president of the William Carey College Baptist Student Union looks over the program of the annual BSU banquet with guest speaker, Rev. Bryce Evans. The banquet was held on Thursday night, April 21, at Main Street Church, Hattiesburg. Janice Roberts, a junior at Carey, was mistress of ceremonies. The theme of the banquet was "April Showers." Evans is a member of the speech department faculty at Clarke College.

## Mississippian Earns Degrees At Golden Gate

MILL VALLEY, Calif.—Students from twenty-two states and 3 foreign countries received religious degrees in commencement exercises held April 19 at Golden Gate Seminary. Forty students were granted the Bachelor of Divinity Degree; seventeen Master of Religious Education Degrees were awarded; 3 received the Master of Theology Degree and 2 were granted the Master of Church Music Degree. One student was awarded a Diploma in Theology.

Charles Higgins, a native of Yazoo City, Mississippi, received two degrees, both the Master of Church Music and the Master of Religious Education. He is currently working as Minister of Music for the First Southern Baptist Church of Sausalito, California.

## Bowlin Plans Homecoming Day

Bowlin Church in Attala County will have their Homecoming on Sunday, May 22. Rev. W. D. Ross, pastor of the church, will preach at 11 a. m.

Everyone is urged to bring lunch and eat on the church grounds. All former members and friends are invited.



## Brown Accepts Las Vegas Church

Rev. Mayo Brown, pastor, First Church, Granger, Utah, for four years, has resigned to accept the pastorate of College Park Baptist Church, Las Vegas, Nevada. Before going to Granger, he was pastor of First Baptist Church, Provo, Utah. He and his wife are natives of Mississippi.

The Browns were active in the work of the Salt Lake Baptist Association. Mr. Brown was a member of the Executive Board of the Utah-Idaho Southern Baptist Convention and was active in the organization of that convention, serving as chairman of the Program and Calendar Committee.

During the eight years they have been in Utah, both Mr. and Mrs. Brown have been employed in secular work to supplement the family income. In order that they might be able to serve in this pioneer area.

In addition to David, Beth, and Truett, they have a married daughter, Sandra, and a son, Claude Wayne, who is serving with the armed forces in Vietnam.

Mr. Brown received his education in the Jackson Public Schools, Clarke College, Mississippi College, and New Orleans Seminary. Before going to Utah, he held pastorates (while in college and seminary) in Yazoo, Jones, Holmes, and Attala Counties.

## Two Baptist Laymen Die In Plane Crash

BALTIMORE, Md. (BP)—Two Maryland Baptist laymen were killed recently when the private plane in which they were traveling was demolished in mid-air during a heavy storm.

## MISSIONARY CHILD DROWNS

Charles Fite, eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace W. Fite, Jr., Southern Baptist missionaries to Brazil, is believed to have drowned May 1 in a river near Ceres, Goiaz, Brazil. His body had not been recovered when word of the accident was cabled to Foreign Mission Board headquarters.

Mr. and Mrs. Fite may be addressed at Caixa Postal 36, Ceres, Goiaz, Brazil. He is a native of Mena, Ark., and she is the former Salle Taylor, native of Lehman, Texas. (Both grew up in Crosbyton, Texas.) Missionaries to Brazil for 16 years, they have worked with a Baptist agricultural school in Ceres for eight years.

They have three daughters, Anna Ruth, 19, Mildred, 13, and Julia, 12.

## Appelman To Lead Meridian Revival

Dr. Hyman Appelman, (pictured) well-known Baptist evangelist of Kansas City, Mo., will be the preacher for the revival to be held at Calvary Church in Meridian, June 19-26.

Rev. W. Otis Seal, pastor, has announced that all preachers, including wives if possible, who attend the morning service on either June 21, 22, 23, or 24 are invited to remain for lunch as guest of the church.

Morning services will be at 10 with evening services at 7:30. Leading the singing will be Steve Taylor of Greenville, S. C.

The Baptist laymen were Richard P. Randall of Silver Spring, Md., and Ernest A. Gaul of Baltimore. Also killed in the accident were Randall J. Fosselman, 25, of Lanham, Md., Randall's nephew; and Arthur John Harvey, 26, of Lithicum Heights, Md.

They were returning from a convention in Chicago when the crash occurred.



MISS MARTHA GAYLE BUGG, Grenada high school senior, has been named recipient of the Mississippi College Merit Scholarship in nationwide competition. Miss Bugg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon R. Bugg of Grenada and a student at John Randle High School, will enter Mississippi College in September. She intends to major in English and plans a career in teaching or writing following her college work.

## Red Banks Church Ordains Deacon

On Sunday afternoon, April 17, Robert Mayer was ordained as a Deacon of Red Banks Church.

Rev. Homer A. Worsham, pastor of Calvary Church, Newton, brought the message. Other speakers for the occasion were Dr. Earl Kelly of Holly Springs, Rev. Harold Scott of Byhalia, and Rev. Elmo Morrison of Mt. Pleasant.

Rev. E. D. Richardson is pastor.

## Raley Suffers Heart Attack

SHAWNEE, Okla. (BP)—John Wesley Raley, president emeritus of Oklahoma Baptist University here, is reported to be responding to treatment and rest in a Shawnee hospital following a heart attack on May 1.

Physicians described the attack of the 63-year-old former Baptist college chancellor as a "coronary insufficiency." His routine will demand "complete rest and no visitors."

Raley suffered a severe heart attack in January, 1965.

## Temple Plans May 15 Homecoming

Temple Church, Jackson, will observe Homecoming Day May 15. This will mark the thirteenth anniversary of the church.

Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Superintendent of Hinds County Missions, will be the guest speaker for the 11:00 a.m. service. A goal of \$10,000 has been set for the day. A brief service in the afternoon will begin at 1:30.

Dr. R. A. Herrington is pastor.

## Shady Grove Dedicates New Auditorium

Shady Grove Church, Webster County, in Zion Association, recently dedicated a new \$10,000 auditorium, complete with new pews and pulpit furniture.

The church is now making plans for beginning a new education building.

Rev. John Henry Sherman is pastor of this full-time rural church.

## Roundaway To Hear Missionary On Memorial Day

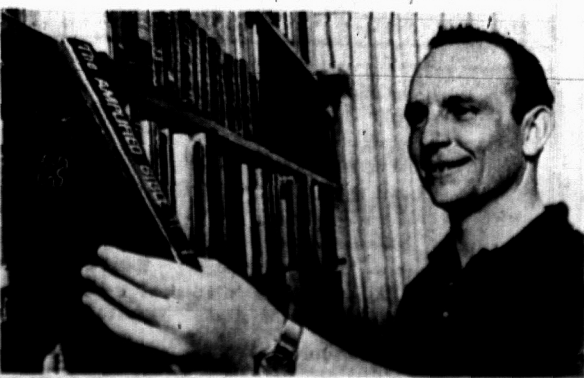
The annual Memorial Day services will be held at Roundaway Church, May 15.



REV. J. RALPH MCINTYRE, pastor of Brainerd Church, Chattanooga, was inspirational speaker for Religious Emphasis Week at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis, Tenn. He was leader of noon-day and evening devotionals in the Hospital Chapel. Theme for the April 25-29 religious observance was "Gateways to Growth." Thomas P. Lane, minister of music at Memphis' Bellevue Church, was music director for the week.

The regular Sunday services will be held in the morning. At 12:30 the church will have an old-time dinner on the ground and fellowship hour.

The afternoon services will consist of congregational singing until 2:30 P.M. at which time Rev. Clyde Hankins, former pastor of Fifth Church, and for many years, a missionary to South America, will bring the memorial message.



BASEBALL CATCHER READS ABOUT VOCATION: Mike Brumley, catcher for the Washington Senators, says his real vocation is that of evangelist. His baseball career is only an avocation, according to the 27-year-old Baptist native of Oklahoma. Study of the Bible, his vocational text book, is a big part of his life. (BP Photo)



THREE WILLIAM CAREY COLLEGE students who will be serving overseas during the summer months pose above with the world map. Emogene Roebuck, far right, points to France where she will be serving with Southern Baptist missionaries. Emogene is sponsored by the Mississippi Baptist Student Union. At left, Carolyn Hallman and Wilfred Founds will be working in Quito, Ecuador with missionary radio station ECUF, known as the "Voice of the Andes." This will be Founds' third summer to work as a volunteer missionary in Ecuador. All three are outstanding Baptist Student Union members on the Carey College campus.